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Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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Attention: Cheryl Blundon, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

**RE: Application from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
for a General Rate Review**

On October 30th, the Town Council for the community of Happy Valley - Goose Bay reviewed the text of the presentation made by the representative of the Combined Councils of Labrador to the Board on October 19. Council is concerned with the statement that *"the reason for public utilities is so that the profits from the more economic zones be used to subsidize the less profitable areas...."*

I wish to make it clear that the Town Council of Happy Valley - Goose Bay does not support this view of the reason public utilities are established nor that this should be a principal governing the practice of public utilities.

I trust that the Board will take these comments into consideration in their deliberations on this important matter.

With the very best of wishes.

Leo Abbass
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